

and I further request my wife to have full power to sell or convey hereafter at any time for her decent support. I further bequeath that Lucy have an falling leaf table and corner cupboard extra of her one hundred and sixty.

And I do hereby utterly disavow revoke and disannul all and every other former testament, wills, legacies bequeaths and Execution by me in anywise before named will and bequeaths ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament. And I further bequeath I have hereunto set my hand and Seal And I appoint for my Executors William Wallingford and James Bloomer. May 23rd 1835

Test
in
presence of
Ezekiel & Sullivan
Charles Robinson

Daniel H. Bloomer Dead
marked

Will of Thomas Barrell

Given Sept. April 1835. Dated June 26 1835

In the name of God, Amen, I Thomas Barrell of the County of Norwich and State of Tennessee being in a low state of health, but of sound and disposing mind, memory & understanding, consider unto the certainty of death and the uncertainty of the time thereof, do declare and constitute this my last will and Testament, in manner and form following, viz.

First and principally, I commend my soul into the hand of Almighty God and my body to the earth to be decently buried at the discretion of my Executors, hereinafter named.

Item. To my beloved wife Winifred Barrell, I leave one horse, two milk cows, one feather bed and furniture, and all the land on this side of the creek between the lines of William Reynolds where he now lives & where he formerly lived, including the dwelling house, and other houses also the lands on the other side of the creek between the lands of John Barrell & William Reynolds, to her, so long as she remains my widow, at her death the lands to belong to our youngest son Alfred Barrell.

Item. The land on which our two sons Pleasant & Hugh now live to be divided between our son Noah and Pleasant children the children to have the lower end of the land including the house they live in and as far as they have it enclosed in a fence then up the hollow to Nicholas line.

Item. To our son John Barrell I leave all the lands in the following

Beginning on a stake corner on the bank of the branch opposite the great hollow that leads down to the creek on the left of my Sugar Camp. Thence up the fence by the side of the branch to a cross fence then down cross fence to the creek then up the creek to the road then with the road to my line, then with my line to the head of aforesaid hollow then down the hollow to the beginning.

To my other two sons Nelson & Thomas Barrell I leave a tract of land I purchased of James Danielson, to be divided between them. The line to run with the creek where it will strike the creek after leaving the little meadow near the barn on Thomas side. Nelson to have the upper end including the dwelling house. The land in big poor valley adjoining the Danielson tract also to be divided between Nelson and Thomas. My wife to have the care of Thomas until he is of sufficient age to go to himself.

Item. My other land in big poor valley to be divided between our sons John and Alfred.

Item. I leave to Thomas & Alfred the colts already given them. I leave unto my daughters Polly, Nancy & Melinda each one bed and furniture, and to each a milk cow.

Item. After my just debts are paid, what money may be left and the balance of my property sell for I wish to be divided between our daughters Polly Ford, Patsy Reynolds, Lancia Grace, Polly Nancy and Melinda Barrell. Patsy Reynolds to pay twenty dollars to the other girls except Polly Ford, out of her portion.

Item. To William Reynolds I leave all the lands he has under fence where he formerly lived except a small tract by lot which will belong to Alfred at his mother's death.

Item. The land whereon William Reynolds now lives, he purchased of our son Clinton Barrell. I have to send Reynolds the line to run as specified in the article between us, now held by him. Our sons John and Nelson are to pay ten dollars each to be divided between our daughters Polly, Nancy & Melinda.

As I have previously given to our son Clinton his portion, I now give him the sum of two dollars to let him know he still lives in my affection.

And for the purpose of carrying into effect this my last will and Testament, I appoint my sons John & Nelson Executors, to see that it is done. In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand & Seal this twenty sixth day

of mine, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred
and thirty eight, in the presence of
Interlining made before signed. ^{his} Thomas Barnett ^{mark}
Elijah D. Gilmour, D. W. Vaughan,
Anthony Smith, David Anderson.

Will of David Blackwell.

I David Blackwell in the name of God, Amen, Ordain this my
last will and testament, that is to say,

In the first place I give and bequeath to my dearly beloved
wife Anna my whole estate real and personal to do with
and make use of in what like manner she may see fit,
during her life time, then to become to the use of my children,
to be equally divided amongst them. Whereunto I have set my
hand in the presence of,

Benj. Newton
John Bunck Jones
Henry Lewis

David Blackwell

Will of Alexander Ballard Sr.

May 6, 1839.

May the 6 day, one thousand eight hundred and thirty nine, I do
to whom these may concern, I Alexander Ballard Senior in
the name of God, Amen, bring sound in mind and memory
but frail in body, do make and Ordain this my last will and
testament.

First, I give and bequeath unto my grand daughter Sarah
Ann Ballard, the daughter of my son Alexander Ballard Junior
my dwelling house and all my house hold furniture, to wit,
one bed and furniture, one corner cupboard, one chest and one
table, and two chairs, one pot, one frying pan, &c. the said Sarah
Ann Ballard for her use to me in my old age, to be the said
grand child forever after my death. In witness whereof I have
set my hand this day and year above written.

Test.

Andrew Coffman
Thomas White ^{his} marks

Alexander Ballard Senior ^{mark}

May the 6 day, one thousand eight hundred and thirty
nine, I do to whom these presents may concern, I Alexander

Ballard Senior, in the name of God, Amen, bring sound in mind
and memory but frail in body, do make and Ordain this my
last will and testament.

My will is that my grand son James Mauley Ballard my
son of Alexander Ballard Junior Child, first my saddle and
bridle and big coat, the same to be given to James in Ballard's after
my death, and also he the said James Mauley Ballard
is to have one hundred dollars in silver when he is twenty
one years of age, which I will to him, after my death.
And last of all my will is that my son William Ballard
Ballard or his heirs one dollar, John Ballard one dollar, Da-
vid Ballard one dollar, Joshua Ballard one dollar, Alexander
Ballard Junior, George Ballard and Jesse Ballard one dollar
to each, and my daughter Jane one dollar. And all my
funeral expenses paid out of my estate, in witness whereof I
set my hand this date ^{and years above} ~~at his house~~ written.

Test.
Andrew Coffman
Thomas White ^{his} marks

Will of Nicholas Baldwin

July 26, 1840

In the name of God, Amen,

I Nicholas Baldwin of the County of Hawkins in
the State of Tennessee bring in great bodily affliction and be-
lieving my corporeal existence near at an end yet bring in
my mind perfect and my mental faculties free do hereby
make this my last will and testament, in words and figures
as follows.

To my beloved wife Ailey Baldwin I do bequeath all my
land and stock and household furniture to raise her chil-
dren an an that she has now and to have full power to sell
and apply any personal property to the use and maintenance
of the children during her natural life or widowhood, born
of to each and every one as they come of age what she may think
a reasonable portion and when they all come of age for
her if she yet lives to have the land for her maintenance,
But should she many again then for the property to be sold
as a twelve months credit by my Executors then I shall
hereafter name all but one bed and furniture which she
shall have, and all the land I want in that case to be rented.

by my Executors for Cash or other property and if property to be sold for cash and the money kept at interest and at the youngest coming of age the money and land to be equally divided among the children, taking in consideration what the older ones have got as they grow up. And should the children want any money for schooling in the case my wife Cerley Baldwin marries the executor shall advance what they think reasonable for their schooling, and should she marry a sober person then the children would be willing to live with, in that case if she chooses to live on the land she shall have half the cleared land to stay on till the youngest child comes of age then a division as before stated take place and the other half of the land to be rented and but so long as she remains single she is to have the sole control of the tending of the land, and the right of the personal property till the youngest child comes of age then to have a third of the of the land during her life or widowhood.

And I do hereby appoint my friends Richard Mitchell and Henry Burr my true and lawful Executors to this my last will and testament. And I do hereby make this my last will, revoking all former wills by me. And in full testimony of the above indicated will I have here set my name and affixed my seal on the 26th day of July, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty. In presence of Joseph Brooks and John Byrd, who are subscribing witnesses hereto, his

Witness names
Joseph Brooks
John Byrd

Nicholas Baldwin Seal

Will of John Bolin

Corro Shaw 1839

July 29 1839

In the name of God Amen, I John Bolin of Hawkins County, State of Tenn, being sick of body, but of a sound disposing memory do resign my soul to Almighty God who gave it, and after a decent burial myself is that all my just debts shall be paid and the balance of my worldly goods I give and bequeath as follow

Item, I give and bequeath to my beloved Father and Mother all my land together with all my crop and all other property I possess during their lives and after their death

Item, my will and desire is that James Bolin should live with his Father and Mother and take care of them as long as they live and at their death for James Bolin to have all of the said property that is left

I acknowledge this to be my last will and testament. July 29 1839. I appoint James Bolin my Executor.

Test

Wm. Ruffin
Jesse C. McCallum
John ^{my} Bolin

John Bolin

Will of John Beil

July 24 1840

Corro, August 1840

In the name of God Amen.

I John Beil of Hawkins County, State of Tennessee being very sick and weak in body, but good perfect mind and memory, thanks be given to God, do make and Ordain this my last will and testament. I recommend my soul into the hands of all mighty God that gave it, and my body I recommend to the earth to be buried in a decent and Christian burial, and as touching such worldly estate I leave it at the discretion of my Executors in form and manner following

First, I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Cor the plantation where I now live on and all the property belonging to said land to have and to hold until her death, and after her death my daughter Pothanne shall have the land, and one hundred and fifty dollars worth of said property to be valued to her, to have and to hold during her single life and good behaviour, and also there is a certain track or parcel of land lying between Martin Beil's line and Jacob Waxes then my son David has bought of me and there is one hundred and forty five dollars that is coming to me for the land and I also give that to my beloved wife Cor and whenever my son David shall pay this money she shall make him a lawful deed for said land. And I also leave Joseph Wright and William Keller to be Executors on my whole Estate. As witnesses my hand and seal this 24th day of July 1840. Signed sealed and delivered in the presence of John Beil, this is his last will and testament.

Test

Joseph Wright
William Keller

John Beil Seal

Will of Burnell Bassett

Date, Jan^y 4th 1842.

In the name of God, Amen.

I Burnell Bassett of the County of Hawkins and State of Tennessee being weak in body but of sound and disposing mind and memory, bringing to mind the shortness of this life, knowing it is appointed for man once to die and having a desire to dispose of such worldly estate which it has pleased Almighty God to bless me with, do make and publish this my last will and testament, in manner following, to wit:

First, I will that all my just debts be paid, that my Executors hereinafter named shall see so much of my personal property as will be sufficient to pay all my just debts. And the balance of my personal estate I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Martha Bassett, during her natural life or widowhood. And I further give and bequeath unto my said wife Martha, all the tract of land with its appurtenances whereon I now live, and in case she should marry then and in that case my Executors hereinafter named shall have full power and authority to sell all my personal property together with my negro and the proceeds of such property to be equally divided between my said wife Martha and my said Children hereinafter named, to wit: Elvira Bassett who has intermarried with Joseph Vaughan Pittman Bassett, Adeline Bassett, Alexander Bassett, Richard Nathaniel Bassett, James W. Bassett, Martha Bassett & Helen Bassett share share alike but I further my will and desire that in case my said wife Martha should marry, that my said Executors hereinafter named shall divide the tract of land whereon I now live equally between my said wife Martha and my said Children hereinafter named, reserving to themselves the right to lay off and set apart to my said wife a lot to include the mansion house where I now reside with the privilege of water from the Spring that I now make use of, which lot of land and building my said wife shall have & enjoy during her natural life and at her death the said lot of land to be equally divided amongst my said Children. And in case my said wife should remain single and keep my said property together, that she raise & send my said Children out of the proceeds of this property & farm from cost. And it is further my will and desire that as my said Children hereinafter named shall marry that my said wife Martha with the advice and consent of my said Executors shall set apart so much of my personal estate as they may think my said wife

can conveniently spare so as to make the balance of my said Children hereinafter named equal to what my daughter Elvira has received.

And it is further my will and desire that my said wife Martha remain in possession of all my real and personal property during her natural life or widowhood and that she have and enjoy all and singular my real estate subject nevertheless to the foregoing conditions, stipulated above.

And lastly, I do constitute and appoint my friends James L. Eden & Joseph Vaughan of the County of Hawkins & State of Tennessee my Executors of this my last will and testament, revoking all former wills hereinafter made by me.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this 4th day of Jan^y in the year of our Lord A.D. 1842.

Signed sealed and declared in presence of: W^m McGowan
Spencer Bassett, J. M. Evans

Burnell M. Bassett

Will of William Bradley

Dated, Oct 1, 1842.

Proven May 6, 1845

In the name of God, Amen. I William Bradley of the County of Hawkins, in the State of Tennessee, being advanced in years but in good health, and of sound mind, memory, and understanding, do make and ordain and publish this my last will and testament in manner following, that is to say: First, I desire that any just debts which I may owe shall any remain at my decease shall be paid by my Executors hereinafter named, out of the money on hand or due to my estate. Second, To my grand daughter Nancy B. Phipps the only issue at present born of the marriage between my daughter Louisa and Joshua Phipps, I give and devise the lands I bought of Jacob Williams & William Armstrong situated in said County of Hawkins, and also the land lying behind them from the Stage road, to have and to hold the same to the said Nancy B. Phipps, during the term of her natural life, with remainder to her issue in fee simple, if any she should have. But in the event the said Nancy B. Phipps at any time hereafter shall have any brother or brothers, sister or sisters born, the issue of said marriage of my daughter Louisa & Joshua Phipps, my will and intention is, that such after born issue, if any such there should be, shall take

hold and enjoy said lands equally in all respects with the said Nancy B. Phipps, to them and the survivors of them, and their heirs in fee simple. And should the said Nancy B. die without issue, and without brother or brothers, sister or sisters, issue of the said Lausa and Joshua Phipps, or the heirs of such, then my will and intention is, that said lands shall go to and rest in my son Orville Bradley in fee simple, if living, or to his lawful heirs should he be dead. And in case my said son should be dead without leaving lawful issue, my will and intention is that said lands shall go to my own lawful and proper heirs according to the Statute of descent of Tennessee. My will desire and intention being, in relation to said lands, and also in relation to all the other lands and property hereinafter mentioned, that the same and every part thereof remain vested and descend to my own proper heirs and lineal descendants and their issue, as far as practicable, from generation to generation. I further more desire that the said Nancy B. shall be let into the full possession and enjoyment of the foregoing devise upon her attaining the age of twenty one years.

Third. To my only daughter, Lausa Phipps, the wife of Joshua Phipps, I give or devise the lands on which I now live adjoining the river above, and the Belknap place below, including the house and improvements upon I reside; also all my home place not included in the foregoing devise of the Belknap place to the said Nancy B. Phipps west of the creek on which I Lyman's mill sits. To have and to hold the same to my said daughter during the term of her natural life, and at the death of my said daughter Lausa, my will and intention is that the estate in remainder of said lands shall rest in my grand daughter, the said Nancy B. Phipps, during her natural life, and then in her issue, if any she should have, in fee simple. To have and to hold the same in like manner and upon the same terms and conditions, in all respects as are set forth or specified in the foregoing devise to the said Nancy B. That is to say, in the event there shall be any other issue hereafter born of the marriage of my daughter Lausa with the said Joshua Phipps, my will & intention is that such after born issue, if any there should be, shall take hold and enjoy said Estate in remainder equally in all respects with the said Nancy B. Phipps to them and their heirs forever, and to the survivors of them; and should the said

die without issue, and without brother or brothers, sister or sisters, or the lawful issue of such, my will and intention is that said Estate in remainder shall go to and rest in my said son, Orville Bradley, and his heirs in fee simple, if living, and in case my said son should be dead, leaving no lawful issue, my will and intention is that the said Estate in remainder in said lands shall go to and rest in my own lawful or proper heirs according to the Statute of descent of Tennessee, in like manner in all respects as is provided in the second devise of this my last will & testament.

Fourth. To my son Orville Bradley I will & devise all the rest and residue of my lands and real estate, wherever situated, to have and to hold the same to him and his heirs in fee simple. I also give and bequeath unto my said son Orville Bradley, all the money on hand; and also all the notes, bonds, debts and evidences of debt belonging to me, on hand at my death, and all my money now, previously or otherwise disposed of, or conveyed away by me, Fifth. I will and devise of grave, stock of every kind and description, household and kitchen furniture, farming utensils and all my other personal property of every description now, previously or otherwise disposed of, by me, of which I am now possessed, or which belong to my wife except my personal property shall be divided between my son Orville Bradley and my daughter Lausa Phipps in manner following, that is to say: Two thirds of the said I will and bequeath to my said son Orville Bradley, and the remaining one third to my said daughter Lausa Phipps. I will also not separate use with full power and authority to dispose of the same in such manner as she shall deem proper, by gift, deed, will, or otherwise.

Sixth. It is my will and desire that should my said son Orville Bradley, die without leaving lawful issue, then my above given and bequeathed to him, and their increase shall go to and rest in my said daughter Lausa Phipps, and her heirs in fee simple, and to the survivors of them.

Wm. Bradley

J. M. Hardy

for Mr. Ford John Price

shall go to and rest in the said Nancy B. Phipps, if living, or if dead to her lawful heirs, and should there be any brother or sister hereafter born, the issue of the said Lausa Phipps, such after born issue shall share said income equally with the

And Nancy Phillips in every respect whatever.
 Seventh. I give and bequeath my Piano Forte to the said
 Nancy S. Phillips.

Eighth. I do hereby nominate and appoint my son
 Orville Bradley, and my friend Jesse Lyman Executors of
 this my last will and Testament.

And Ninth. I do hereby revoke and make utterly void
 all former wills by me at any time heretofore made,
 declaring this to be my true last will and Testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto affixed my hand
 and Seal. This 1st day of Oct. 1842.

Wm Bradley Test

Signed sealed & declared by the said William Bradley, as
 his last will & testament, in the presence of us, who have
 hereunto affixed our names as witnesses at his request, and
 in his presence. The date above written.

J. C. McCardy.

Geo W. Woods.

John H. Bruce.

Will of William Bradley

Date, May 4. 1844. Proven May 6. 1845

I, William Bradley, do make and publish, this my
 last will and testament, hereby revoking and making void
 all other wills by me made, any time.

First. I direct that my funeral expenses and all other debts
 be paid a soon after my death as possible out of any
 monies that I may die possessed of, or may hereafter come into
 the hands of my Executors.

Secondly. I give and bequeath to my son William the west
 end of my plantation, where I now live, also the tract I
 purchased of McCrean, by him owing my parents debts and also
 my son Nicholas fifty dollars in a horse when he becomes of
 age.

Thirdly. I will and bequeath to my son John the east end of
 my home plantation, by him paying to my son Nicholas
 fifty dollars in a horse when he becomes of age.

Fourthly. I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Mary the use
 of my plantation during her widowhood.

Fifthly. I will and bequeath that my daughter, viz. Mary Ann,
 Esther and Elizabeth Jones, have each, a good feather bed and

clothes and one good cow each.
 Lastly. I do hereby nominate and appoint my son William
 & Baldwin my Executors. In witness whereof I do to them my
 will set my hand and seal. This 4th day of May 1844.

William Bradley Test

Signed sealed and published in our presence of the Testator
 This 4th day of May 1844.

Witness. Anderson Campbell Joseph Eastland
 John H. Bruce, John Davis.

Will of Orville Bradley

September 27. 1847

In the name of God, Amen.

I Orville Bradley being of sound and disposing
 mind and memory but feeble in body do publish and
 declare this to be my last will and testament.

1st. It is my will and desire that out of whatever mon-
 ey I may have on hand at my death or debts coming to
 me, that all my just debts be paid, and should there
 not be sufficient to pay them then and in that case out of
 my personal estate, and the expenses attending my funeral.

2nd. It is my will and desire that all my estate both
 real and personal which I may be possessed of at my death
 shall be vested in Hugh Walker, and George R. Pearl
 for the benefit of my niece Nancy Bradley Phillips, the daughter
 of Joshua and Nancy Phillips, and should the said Nancy
 or Bradley Phillips die without leaving heirs of her body, then
 it is my will and desire that all my property, both real and
 personal at her death, should be sold by my Trustees
 presently appointed, and a permanent fund raised for pur-
 poses of General Education in the County of Hawkins and the
 interest of said fund applied to the use of common Schools.

3rd. It is my will and desire that should my Trustees
 hereby appointed believe it to be for the interest of my said
 niece Nancy, that all my lands lying in the Western District
 of Tennessee should be sold, then or as in their discretion
 within five years from this date, sell the same either at public
 or private sale as they may think most desirable, for the
 use and benefit of my said niece as aforesaid, and the pro-
 ceeds of said sale to be loaned out as an accumulating

and to my Trustee as aforesaid until my said niece shall have attained the age of twenty one years.

4th. It is my will and desire that all my negroes and all my stock should remain on my farm as they are now, and the proceeds of my said farm applied to the payment of any debts or incumbrance which may lawfully arise against my estate otherwise to be an accumulation fund as aforesaid.

5th. It is my will and desire that if in the judgment of my Trustee hereby appointed, any of my Slaves should become refractory or unmanageable or useless to my Estate that they may dispose of them as proper for public sale as they in their discretion may think advisable.

It is my will and desire that my said Trustee for him trouble in carrying out the provisions of the my last will and testament shall be allowed a reasonable allowance to be paid him out of my estate, September 27th 1845 signed sealed published and declared. Orville Bradley Esq.

in the presence of as his witnesses
S. O. Smith, S. A. Mitchell,
Chas. J. McKim, Samuel Miller Senr.
Robt. B. Hale

Will of Jacob Bowman

Dated July 19, 1847. Proven Sept 6th 1847

I Jacob Bowman of the County of Franklin State of Tennessee do hereby make and constitute this my last will and testament hereby revoking all former wills by me at any time made.

1st. My will and desire is that all my just debts be paid out of my money I may be seized of or that may hereafter come into the hands of my Executor.

2nd. My will and desire is that my beloved wife Mary live and hold possession of my house and farm with all improvements thereon during her natural life or widowhood.

3rd. My will and desire is that my son David have the farm whereon he now lives, and pay one hundred dollars to the other children at the end of five years.

4th. My will and desire is that my son Jacob all my farm at his mother's death and live with and take care of her during her life or widowhood except what I shall

hereafter mention and bequeath to others, and that he have one thousand dollars for the benefit of my four youngest children as they become of age.

5th. My will and desire is that my son William have the land & grist mill and one hundred acres of land on both sides of Big Creek including all on the East side and in direction with the creek and the west side, for Campment and that he pay one thousand dollars for the benefit of my four youngest children in equal proportions to them as they become of age, and also to have all my carpenter tools.

6th. My will and desire is that my son Daniel have twenty acres of land lying at the upper end of my farm on both sides of the Creek and running so as to include the house where David Mackin now lives parallel with upper line, and one hundred acres of land in the back back of John Noland's farm, also to have my blacksmith tools.

7th. My will and desire is that my daughters Anna and Rebecca, my sons John and Samuel have five hundred dollars each when they become of age out of the proceeds of the sale of my personal property and a piece of land lying on the South side of Beeson's hill, which I wish to be sold.

8th. My will and desire is that what there is of the proceeds of my estate over the bequests to my four youngest children after my debts is paid I want my beloved wife Mary to have. In testimony I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 19th day of July A. D. 1847.

I also wish my son Jacob and William and Christian Deasebaugh appointed Executor to this my last will and testament, the date above written. Witness Jacob Smith, Jacob Bowman, Jas. J. Annis, Jacob Bowman Esq.

Will of Mordican Bean.

Dated March 11, 1853. Proven July, 1853.

I Mordican Bean do make and publish this my last will and testament, hereby revoking and making void all other wills by me at any time made.

First. I desire that my funeral expenses and all my just

debt to be paid as soon after my death as possible, out of my money that I may be possessed of or may first come into the hands of my Executor.

Secondly, I give and bequeath to my wife Natharine Bean all my household and kitchen furniture, my stock of all kinds, my plantation and all its appurtenances, and all the grain and forage together with everything that I possess, during her natural life with full privilege to sell and use the same & pay my debts that may be owing, or for her support and all other legal purposes.

I have heretofore given to all my children what I allowed them, and here should nothing remain after my wife's death, which I allow to be equally divided among my children.

Lastly, I do hereby nominate and appoint my wife Natharine Bean my Executor, and that without giving any security. In witness whereof I do to this my will set my hand and seal my hand seal, this 11th day of March 1853.

Mordcai Bean Seal

Signed, sealed and published in our presence and we have subscribed our names hereto in the presence of the Testator, this 11th day of March 1853.

Robert Wright, Elder North

John Mann

E. North witnessed this will 19th April 1853 in presence of Mordcai Bean & John Mann.

Will of William D. Brooks

Dated May 3, 1854

Proven June 1854

I William D. Brooks do make and publish this as my last will and testament, hereby providing and making void all other wills by me at any time made.

First, I direct that my funeral expenses and all of my debts be paid as soon after my death as possible, out of my money that I may be possessed of or may first come into the hands of my Executor or Administrator.

Secondly, I give and bequeath to my wife Susanah Brooks all the interest that I have in one hundred & sixty acre land.

Warrant, which will be located in Missouri, Newton County, also to have one gray mare & colt, and four horse wagons, and yoke of Oxen & two mitch cows, house hold & kitchen furniture. Thirdly, I direct that my lands all where I now live be sold and all the balance of my personal property after giving to my wife Susanah Brooks. The above named property, that my wife have a child part of the money arising from the sale of my property.

Fourthly, I give and bequeath to each of my children (to wit) Margaret, Mooney, George Brooks, James Brooks, William Pachal, Mary Webb, Susanah Brooks, Lafayette Brooks, Thomas Brooks, John Brooks, Rachael, Michael, Albert Brooks, Leah Brooks, Nancy Brooks, I now give to each of the above named children an equal portion of the money arising from the sale of my land & personal property, each of them to have their part as soon as my Executor or Administrator may have time to sell & collect as the law directs, except those who are now minor children, their portions I direct remain. The hands of my Executor or Administrator until they become of age or competent to manage for themselves.

Fifthly, I also direct that my two sons, John & Albert have one horse each to be bought by my Executor or Administrator and any money that I may be possessed when they become twenty one year old, the above named horse to be worth eight fifty dollars.

Sixthly, and lastly, I do hereby name, etc, my son, James Brooks my Executor. In witness whereof I do to this my will set my hand and seal, this 3rd day of May 1854.

W. D. Brooks Seal

Signed, sealed & published in our presence and we have subscribed our names hereto in the presence of the testator this 3rd day of May 1854.

In witness
John Alden
E. Brooks

Will of John Barnett

Dated Oct 18 1855

Proven Dec 1855

I John Barnett of the County of Hancock and State of Maine do make and publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking all other wills by me heretofore made. I direct that my body be interred in my own grave in a manner suited to my condition in life. And as for the worldly estate that it has pleased God to entrust me with I dispose of as follows:

1st I direct that all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid as soon after my decease as possible.

2^d I will and bequeath to my beloved wife, Nancy, all my real estate and personal property during her natural life. Whence I direct that my daughter, Adeline Barnett, have one third of my real estate, also one cow and calf and one side saddle. The balance of my real estate and personal property to be sold and equally divided among my three daughters, Adeline Barnett, Lucy Barnett, wife of John Barnett, Jr. & Emily Miller, wife of John Miller. I hereby constitute and appoint my beloved wife, Nancy, and William W. Johnson my sole Executors and Executor.

It is also my desire that John Barnett, Jr. live on and attend a farm of my lands and pay my wife a reasonable rent for the lands he may attend. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal. Oct. the 18th 1855.

Witness
Amos Hamill
J. H. Caldwell

John Barnett
man

Will of Thomas A. Baldwin

Dated May 16 1855

Proven July 1855

I Thomas A. Baldwin being in feeble health but of disposing mind and memory do make and publish this my last will and testament hereby revoking and annulling all other wills by me at any time made.

1st I direct that my funeral expenses and all my just debts be paid as soon after my death as possible, and of my personal estate I wish to be possessed of or paid first and into the hands of my hereinafter named Executors.

I give and bequeath to my beloved wife, Cassandra, during

her natural life all my stock of Horses, Hogs, Cattle, Sheep, Household and Kitchen furniture, & new wagon, farming utensils & together with the entire growing crop of Corn, wheat and oats for the support of my beloved wife & family. I wish them settled on a farm on which they may be able to make a support and in order to effect that object I wish my wife with the advice and consent of my Executors to have the privilege of purchasing a farm on which to live, raising in Cash somewhere from twelve to eighteen hundred dollars, and in order that she may be able to make said purchase of land, I wish that my property of any kind or description that in the judgment of my wife and my Executors can be spared that such property be sold upon such terms and conditions as may be agreed upon by and between my said wife and my said Executor. And that the proceeds thereof be applied to the purchase of said farm, and that the balance of the amount necessary to pay for said farm be taken out of the first payment or payments which will hereafter fall due on one for which I have sold to John A. Williams and after said farm shall have been purchased and my family settled thereon as above contemplated, I wish my said wife to have the privilege of purchasing for her and use a negro girl to be paid out of the proceeds of my said land sold to the said John A. Williams, but in the event that my said wife shall not choose to make the purchase of said negro girl, then the said fund arising from the said land sold to the said John A. Williams after it shall have been collected shall be loaned out by my said Executors until my youngest child shall arrive at the age of twenty one years. Then I wish said amount with the interest thereon to be equally divided between my four children, and at the death of my beloved wife I wish the remaining portion of my property & effects of every kind and description to be equally distributed between my legitimate heirs so as to make each one share and shares alike.

I do hereby constitute and appoint William Davis of the County of Hancock, Thomas J. Lee of the County of Hancock Executors of this my last will and testament. I wish that my Executor William Davis may be allowed to own security in his respect or County of Hancock. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my name and affixed my seal. This 16th day of May 1855.

Thomas A. Baldwin

Sealed, sealed and published in our presence & we have
subscribed our names in presence of the Notary.

R N Drake
Henry D Chismuth

Will of John Burchett

Dated June 27, 1854

Sept 1 June 1854

I John Burchett do make and publish my last will
& Testament, hereby revoking & annulling all wills made
before at any other time.

First. I direct my funeral expenses and my debts to be paid
as soon as possible after my death out of my moneys which
may be possessed of or may come into the hands of my Ex-
ecutor.

Secondly. I give and bequeath to my daughter Sally, one
dollar. Third. I bequeath to my son John Burchett one
dollar. Fourth. I bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth one
dollar. Fifth. I bequeath to my daughter Nancy Davis one dollar.
Sixth. I bequeath to my daughter Jane Collins one dollar.
Seventh. I give and bequeath to my daughter Catherine Burchett one dollar.
Eighth. I will and bequeath to my wife Rebecca Burchett all
of the remainder of my estate consisting of horses, cattle, sheep,
chairs, household & kitchen furniture, farming utensils & all the
present growing crop, consisting of corn, wheat & other crop-
pable &c.

Lastly. I do nominate appoint George Phillips my Executor
in witness whereof I do to this my will set my hand
& seal this 27th of June 1854

John Burchett Seal
June 27

Signed, sealed and published in our presence & we have
subscribed our names hereto in the presence of the Notary.
This 27th of June 1854

Isaiah
BA Creach
John Whitton

Will of Hugh Barrett

Dated Aug 25, 1857

May 1 June 1858

I Hugh Barrett of the County of Newton and State of
Tennessee, being of sound and disposing mind and mem-
ory, do make, ordain and publish this my last will
and Testament, hereby revoking and annulling all
other wills by me at any time made.

First. It is my wish and desire that my funeral ex-
penses shall be paid as soon after my death as possible
out of the first money that may come into the hands of
my Executor.

Second. It is my wish and desire that all my just debts
shall be paid and my property whatever may be left disposed
of as follows:

To my son John Nelson Barrett I will and bequeath one
half of my landed estate, being half of the farm whereon I
now live including the house and other buildings, the farm
to be divided according to quantity and quality, and further
that my wife Maria shall have a maintenance or life
estate in said half of said farm, so called to my son
John Nelson Barrett, in case she lives a widow, but
in case she marries, her maintenance or life estate in said
parcel of land is to be at an end, and descend to the benefit
of my son John immediately, and further, that my son
John Nelson Barrett shall pay to his sister Elizabeth Lan-
grie Barrett one hundred and fifty dollars in good prop-
erty, or money to be paid to her when she arrives at the age
of twenty one years. John, Elizabeth and their mother to
live on said piece of land, my wife Maria, the mother of said
John and Elizabeth, to have maintenance and control of said
piece of land, in case she lives a widow until John be-
comes twenty one years old, at which time he is to have the
control of said place. The balance of said farm being the
other half I will and bequeath to my two sons, William
and Thomas to be equally divided between them.

Thirdly. It is my wish and desire that any movable prop-
erty whatever I may die possessed of, shall be sold and the
proceeds divided as follows: To my two daughters Sally
and Arlena I will twenty five dollars each, and the
balance whatever it may be to be equally divided between
my five daughters, Mildred Mary, Lavinia, Emily, and Arlena.

Sincerely, I appoint my brother Thomas D. Barrett my
Executor of the my last will and testament.

In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and
seal the 26th day of August 1857 in presence of the
subscribing witnesses.

Wm
J. D. Barrett
A. C. Barrett
Hugh Barrett

Will of William A. Barrett

Dated Sept. 4, 1858 From May Term 1858

William A. Barrett of the County of Madison and
State of Tennessee being of sound and disposing mind and
memory do make and ordain this to be my last will
and testament, hereby revoking all other wills by me at
any time made.

First. It is my wish and desire that any funeral ex-
penses be paid out of any money that my first wife
leave the hands of my Executor.

Second. It is my wish and desire that my beloved wife
Nancy shall have one third of all my lands, including
my dwelling house and all run out buildings during her
natural life, in case she dies single, together with all
my notes, books and papers of every kind and all my
movable property of every kind and every kind.

Third. It is my wish and desire that out of my money
and notes and other movable property, my debts shall be
paid, by my wife Nancy and that nothing shall be sold out
at her discretion.

Fourth. It is my wish that the remaining two thirds of my
land shall be equally divided between my eight children
to wit: William C. Barrett, Sarah Adeline, Ephraim Hayes,
James Arthur, Mary Elizabeth, Perry Jane, Thomas Orville and
Martha Corvina. And that they shall each one receive their
part at their become twenty one years old.

Fifth. It is my wish and desire that at the death of my
wife the above named property bequeathed to her shall be
equally divided between the aforesaid eight children, and
in case she survives, the same to be divided between the

children at her marriage, or at her death.

Sixth. It is my wish and desire that my wife Nancy and
Thomas D. Barrett be and they are hereby constituted and
appointed my Executors of the my last will and testament.

In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and of
seal the 11th day of September 1858 in the pres-
ence of the subscribing witnesses.

Wm
J. D. Barrett
A. C. Barrett
William A. Barrett

Incumbent Will of Joseph D. Beckner

Dated Nov. 1, 1858 From Nov Term 1858

Mr. Malcolm D. Moore & Abraham Beckner do state that
the Incumbent Will of Joseph D. Beckner was made by him
on the 21st day of September 1858, in our presence, to which
we were specially required to bear witness with the
testator himself, in the presence of each other. That it was
made in his last sickness, in his own habitation or that
my house, and he came in as follows to wit:

It was his will and desire that his effects should be dis-
posed of after his decease in the following manner.

1st That all his debts and funeral expenses be paid.

2nd That his son Abraham B. Beckner be to have the priv-
ilege of building himself a house on a site somewhere near
the Spring and that he is to have it for himself and family a house.

3rd That my beloved wife Sarah Beckner is to have the
use of all the rest of my estate during her lifetime
or widowhood, except the provisions herein after men-
tioned - That John Beckner is to live with his family
until he arrives in the age of majority, and is to have a
liberal education, and at that age is to have a good
horse, bridle and saddle, a good suit of clothes, and that
his son Abraham B. Beckner should see to them getting
the same.

4th That his two daughters Nancy and Rhoda should
be permitted to live on the place with their mother, and
after his wife is dead with his estate in the same manner
named. All the estate to be equally distributed between

his heirs and his grand daughter Mary Beckley & to be
 on him with his children and receive an equal
 share of the estate with them. Made and signed by us and
 signed this 15th day of November 1858

J Beckley
 W D Moore

Will of Benjamin L Russell

Dated July 29 1859

Proven Sept Dec 1859

I Benjamin L Russell do make and publish this
 as my last will and testament, hereby revoking and
 making void all other wills by me at any time made
 First I direct that my funeral expenses and all my
 debts be paid as soon after my death as possible out
 of any moneys that I may die possessed of or may here-
 come into the hands of my Executor

Secondly, I give and bequeath to my well beloved wife
 Polly Russell during her lifetime or widow hood the
 plantation on which I now live together with all house-
 hold and other out buildings and all the household
 and kitchen furniture that I may die seized and posses-
 sed of farming tools &c on the plantation and all the slaves
 and stock of every kind that is upon or may be upon the
 plantation at the time of my death.

Thirdly, At the death of my wife Polly Russell or in case
 of her marriage I give and bequeath the plantation
 on which I now live with all the improvements and
 erections thereon to my four sons namely James W Russell
 George W Russell John A Russell Calvin P. Russell
 and Absalom S. Russell to be equally divided between
 them share and share alike. The divisions to be made
 in any manner they choose to adopt.

Fourthly, I give and bequeath the tract of land known
 as the Mill place, consisting of several small tracts
 to wit: A piece of land purchased from John Jones
 a piece of land and an acre more or less and the land
 between John Jones and Louisa Higgs, the portion
 of it in which there is no monument or marker with the
 creek and saw mill and all other machinery and acco-
 and sections herein to my sons namely Benjamin Sanford Russell

and Samuel W Russell to be equally divided between them
 share and share alike, and in the event of the death of either
 of them without issue living then and he that survives the other
 to have the whole premises to his own proper use and benefit.
 Fifthly, I have heretofore given to my daughter Viranda
 Charles a negro girl which I estimated to be worth four
 hundred and fifty dollars at the time of the gift. And
 I also gave to my daughter Sarah Ann Richesford a negro
 girl which I estimated to be worth five hundred and fifty dollars
 at the time of the gift. And I also gave to my daughter Mary
 Ann Prater a negro girl which I estimated to be worth
 five hundred dollars at the time of the gift.

Sixthly, It is my will and desire that at the time of death
 or marriage of my wife Polly Russell my Executor herein-
 after appointed shall proceed to sell all the property that may
 be on hand at the time consisting of slaves, stock of all kinds,
 wagons, plows and farming tools and household and kitchen
 furniture of every kind and description. And when the proceeds
 of the sales of said property shall have been collected he shall
 make the following distribution thereof, that is to say (I
 have heretofore paid to my sons James W Russell and John
 A Russell two hundred and seventy five dollars each) he
 shall pay to my sons Calvin P. Benjamin Sanford
 Birwile and Absalom S. Russell each the sum of
 two hundred and seventy five dollars, and to my daughter
 Viranda Charles the sum of four hundred and twenty five
 dollars, and to my daughter Sarah Ann Richesford the
 sum of three hundred and twenty five dollars, and to my
 daughter Mary Ann Prater the sum of three hundred
 and seventy five dollars to make them all equal with my
 sons to whom I have heretofore made advances.

Seventhly, After payments herebefore provided shall have been
 made if there is a surplus of moneys remaining in the
 hands of my said Executor, he shall make an equal
 distribution thereof between all my children both sons and daugh-
 ters, share and share alike, till the whole is exhausted.
 Lastly, I do hereby nominate and appoint my sons Calvin P.
 Russell and Absalom S. Russell my Executors, in witness
 whereof I do this my will at my hand and seal this 23rd day
 of July 1859

Signed sealed and acknowledged in our presence
 J B L Russell & Sons
 John B. Russell, Samuel W. Russell

Will of Rebecca Barton

Dated July 17, 1859

Proving July 1862

I, Rebecca Barton do hereby and publish this my last will and testament

First I direct that any funeral expenses and all debts to be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any money that I may die possessed of or may first come into the hands of my Executor

Secondly I will and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth all my interest in one tract of land containing twenty five acres

Thirdly I will all my personal property to my daughter Elizabeth to have and to hold to her and to her heirs and assigns forever

Witness my hand and seal this 17th day of July 1859

Witness

Johnnie B. Murley

Gaspar C. Warrick

Rebecca Barton
made

Copy of Will of Wiley Ball

Dated Oct 3rd 1861

I Wiley Ball do hereby make this my last will and testament and be revoking and annulling every other former will or other wills at any time made by me

First I direct that any funeral expenses and all my debts to be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any money that I may die possessed of or may first come into the hands of my Executor hereafter to be appointed

Secondly I will and bequeath unto my beloved wife Grace Ball two good beds with covers that should belong to them, table, chairs, fork, cooking utensils and all other furniture of my house that would be necessary for house keeping I will and bequeath that my Executor pay to her and my wife one hundred dollars in Cash. I will that my wife shall have one horse, saddle and bridle, her choice and that she shall enjoy and keep possession of my house that I now live in as her own during her life or widowhood

but at her death or marriage then and in that case the house is to belong to my son Seth Ball of whom I will hereafter speak my will and desire is that my wife shall have one choice cow and if she choose she is to have 5 calves, one steer. I will and bequeath unto my son John Ball all the land he lives on, being the land I bought of John Ball in an orchard he now lives on. Also all the place on the forks of the road, called the old mill pond, where he John now has his store and I purchased of D. Bailey

I will and bequeath unto my son Spencer M. Ball all of my house place, extending to the top of the mountain east side, even with the lawn and upper end, to have full possession of my house after the death or marriage of my wife, but to have full control of all the lands and real holdings when this will takes effect

I will and bequeath unto my daughter Lucie Ann Ball all of the place she lives on and to the mountain top east side is described in the piece I own before. My will and desire is that my daughter Patsy who married Jacob Woodcock and now resides in the State of Ohio shall have paid to her for the use of her and her own children by my Executor to be appointed hereafter, six hundred dollars in Cash

I will and bequeath to my daughter Polly and her husband Jonathan Bernard all the tract of land that John Smith now lives on, which land I bought of John Bernard and all the land joining the same, on the side of Bay, mountain to the top of the same and in addition to this land I desire my daughter Polly Bernard to have paid to her by my Executor 5 hundred dollars which I will make her equal with her sister Nancy Lucas. I will and desire that my son John Ball owing to his place in my opinion being an even share, shall pay to me or my estate two hundred dollars. And that my son Spencer M. Ball shall in like manner pay five hundred dollars. I further require upon my son John Spencer Ball to support my wife with a decent support during her life or widowhood, his promise to be borne in equal portions with both his sisters because their lands are valuable and hence they should support my wife

And finally all other property, personal and real debts

money and every species shall be sold & collected & every
 execution and when done be equally divided among my
 five children in their heirs. I do hereby nominate and
 appoint my son John Ball Spencer Ball my Executor
 of this my last will and testament. In witness where-
 of I do to this my will set my hand and seal this 23rd
 day of April 1861

Signed Wesley Ball

Signed, sealed and published in our presence and we have sub-
 scribed our names hereto in the presence of the Testator this
 23rd day of April 1861

Jacob Miller
 David Outby

State of Tennessee, I Jas. A. Pace clerk of the Circuit Court
 within Camden Co. of said County do hereby certify that
 the foregoing is a true and perfect copy of the last will and
 testament of Wesley Ball as on now on file in our office

Witness our hand at our office this 2nd day of February 1861

Jas A. Pace clerk

Will of Samuel Bryant

Dated June 6 1861

Given Sept. Term 1861

I Samuel Bryant considering the uncertainty of this
 mortal life and being of sound mind & memory do make and
 publish this my last will and testament in presence and from
 following that is to say

First. I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Sarah Bryant
 the lands I now live on and possess during her natural
 life provided in the event she and my executor together be-
 lieve they can better for condition by selling the lands and
 purchasing others or the proceeds high or low she should
 come to actual receipt of so retain her assets by using the same
 in her possessions. I also further give to my wife Sarah all
 the rest, residue and remainder of my personal estate and
 chattels of whatever kind and nature so ever for her use and
 comfort during her life and after her death if any thing re-
 mains it shall be sold and the proceeds equally di-
 vided among my three daughters to wit Mary Elizabeth,
 Martha Ann & Lucinda Cordelia and as Mary E. & Mary E.
 McAnulty & Martha A. now Martha A. Orsife have had some

property (namely) a bed, saddle and cow for which I wish
 Lucinda Cordelia to be made equal by my Executor.

I hereby appoint my beloved wife Sarah and Peter
 Wolfe my Executors of this my last will and testament
 by revoking all former wills by me made

In witness whereof I have set my hand and seal this
 fifteenth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and
 sixty

Wesley
 B. Blackburn
 B. Golden

Councilman

Will of Mary M. Barnes

Dated March 4 1861

Given Dec. Term 1861

In the name of God, Amen

I Mary M. Barnes being of sound and disposing
 mind and memory but feeble in health do make publish
 and declare the following to be my last will and testament
 hereby revoking and making entirely void all other wills
 which I have at any time heretofore made

First. It is my will and desire and I so direct that
 after my decease I shall be buried according to the mode
 of Christian burial and that my Executors hereinafter named
 out of the first monies which may come into their hands shall
 pay all the expenses attending my funeral
 Secondly. I will and bequeath unto my son William Solomons
 all my interest in a land warrant which has not as yet come
 to hand for one hundred and sixty acres of land and amount
 of services rendered by my deceased husband Peter Barnes
 the owner of the United States in the war of 1812 and also as
 I have heretofore executed a power of attorney to Samuel Pounce
 my son in law authorizing him to do all the business necessary
 to procure said land warrant and to obtain a pension. It
 is my will and desire and I so direct that the business
 be taken out of the hands of said Samuel Pounce and that my
 Executors hereinafter named & appointed shall have the sole and
 exclusive control of the whole business and that the said Pounce
 shall have nothing further to do with said business
 Thirdly. It is my will and desire and I so direct that
 out of the monies which may arise from the sale of said land

Marrah. That my Executor pay unto my daughters Jane & Sarah and Sarah Ann Powell each the sum of five dollars. Fourthly. It is my will & desire that if I should obtain a pension from the Government of the United States that the same be equally divided between all my children. These and these alike.

Fifthly. I will and bequeath to my son John Burns my bed and furniture. Sixthly. I will and bequeath unto my daughter Jane & Sarah all my clothing of whatsoever kind or character that I may possess at my death.

And lastly. I do hereby nominate and appoint my sons John and William Burns my Executors of this my last will and testament. The witness whereof I do to this my last will and testament. Set my hand and seal this 4th day of March 1851.

Marrah ^{for} John Burns ^{and} William Burns

Signed, sealed and published in our presence and we have subscribed our names hereto in the presence of the Testator. This 4th day of March 1851.

Geo. R. Powell
J. R. Armstrong

Will of Benjamin Cox

Dated June 13, 1791

In the name of God, Amen. I Benjamin Cox of Newlin County, in the Western Territory, South of the Ohio River, being weak in body but perfect in sense, praised be God, I do make this my last will and testament.

First, I do hereby give unto my brother William Cox all my land's with him and his heirs forever. I do hereby give unto my father William Cox all my movable effects and living stock, unto him and his heirs forever, after all my just debts are paid. I do appoint my loving and trusting father my sole Executor of this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills and testaments.

In witness whereof I do to all and every part of the above said will and testament. I have hereunto set my hand and seal. This thirteenth day of June in the year of our Lord 1791.

Signed, sealed and delivered by the written name of Benjamin Cox for his last will and testament in the presence of us:
Jesse Cox
Solomon Cox
Marjory Cox
Benj Cox ^{for} Seal

Will of Ruben Craycroft

Dated April 6, 1791

In the name of God, Amen. I Ruben Craycroft being through the abundance of mercy & goodness of God though weak in body yet of a sound and perfect understanding & memory do constitute this my last will and testament, and desire it may be received by all in such.

First, I most humbly bequeath my soul to God my maker, beseeching his most gracious acceptance of it, through the all sufficient merits and mediation of my most compassionate Redeemer Jesus Christ, who gave himself to be an Atone ment for my sins, and is able to save to the uttermost all that come unto God by him, seeing He's ever living to make intercession for those who I trust will not reject his a returning penitent sinners, when I come to him for mercy in this hope and confidence, I trust up my soul with confidence, humbly beseeching the most blessed and glorious Trinity, One God, most holy, most merciful and

glorious to prepare me for the time of my dissolution and thus
to take me to himself into that peace & rest and incomparable
felicity which he has prepared for all that love and fear
his holy name. Amen. Next I give my body to the earth
from whence it was taken in full assurance of its resur-
rection from thence at the last day, as for my burial I leave
it may be decent without pomp or state at the discretion of
my dear friends and my Executors hereafter named who I doubt
not will manage it with all requisite prudence.

As to my worldly estate, I will and positively order that all
my just debts be paid together with all my sickness and fu-
neral Expenses out of the same, that is to say, one brown mare
about seven years old, one blue broad cloth coat & breeches, one
corduroy breeches, one brown cloth coat & a white cloth jacket,
one pair silver, one pair third stockings, one pair new shoes, one
pair of silver knee buckles, one cotton coat & 3 pairs of household
suits, 2 pair of garters & a new old saddle & saddle bags &
bridle, all which of the above mentioned articles I will and pos-
itively order the balance after the above mentioned debts or Expenses
is paid, to give the remainder to my father William Craycraft
when he makes application for the same, And I do constitute
Thomas McLaughlin and Thomas McNeill Executors of this my
last will and testament and Trustees of the same. In witness
whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal This 6th day of
April in the year of our Lord, one thousand seven hundred
and ninety one

Witness

Matthew Sears

Jacob Craycraft

Eliza Williams

his
father
Craycraft

Shrined my before burial interred before
signing &c.

Will of Collin Crilly

Dated July 4, 1793

In the name of God, Amen, I Collin Crilly of Hawkins County
and ceded Territory, South of Ohio River, being weak in body
but in rational sense do hereby make this my last will and
testament, and do make good all former wills. At my death
I give and bequeath unto Elizabeth Märgrove wife to Saul
Märgrove all my estate both in bonds and property

accepting Ten dollars in Fed. One to William Crilly and one
to James Thompson Crilly. And I do appoint John Yarrow my
Executor, At witness my hand and seal. This 4th day of
July 1793 in presence of

John Yarrow
Henry Larkin

Collin Crilly

Will of Edward Cross Isaac original
Dated July 21, 1794

In the name of God, Amen, I Edward Cross being sick in
body though perfect in memory, knowing it is appointed for all
men once to die, do make and ordain this my last will and
testament in manner and form as follows:
In the first place, I recommend my soul to Almighty God
who gave it and my body to the earth to be decently bur-
ied at the discretion of my Executors hereafter mentioned,
and as for what worldly goods it hath pleased God to be-
stow on me, I give and bequeath in manner and
form as follows:

In the first place, I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife
Rebecca all my estate both personal and real, to her
during of her natural life or widowhood, and at her death
marriage, I desire my whole estate to be equally divided
amongst all my children by Rebecca. Particularly Robert Cross
and Elizabeth Cross to have ten pounds less than the rest of my
children, on account of former parents made this, that is to
say to be divided between Rebecca, Robert Cross,
Elizabeth Cross, Jane Cross, Mary Cross, Nancy Cross, William
Cross and Gibbins Cross. And Patsy Cross and James Cross.

I appoint my beloved wife my Executor, and Mr
Thomas Gibbins Deur, and my son Robert Cross my Ex-
ecutors. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand
and seal This 21st day of July 1794
Signed and sealed in the
presence of

William Moleby
John Deur
M. Elzer Elzer

Edward Cross

Will of John Cox
Dated August 25. 1798.

In the name of God, Amen. I John Cox of the County of
Hawkins and State of Tennessee, being sick and weak of
of sound disposing mind and memory, do make and ex-
plain this to be my last will and testament, in this manner,
and from as followeth, to-wit:

Item, I give unto my lawful wife, Pabeltha Cox, all my land,
and mill, & all my negroes excepting one named Mills.
Likewise, all my stock, excepting one horse colt. Likewise,
all my household furniture and working tools during her
widowhood. I will and bequeath unto my son Thomas
Cox one young horse colt, and I likewise bequeath unto
my daughter, Ellice Cox, one negro girl named Mills, to
her and her heirs forever, and all her increase. Likewise,
the said Thomas Cox and Ellice Cox, is to have an equal share
with the rest hereafter. It is my will and request, that my
brother, Edward Cox, should take the remainder of the goods
and to settle my accounts below as far as the will pay
and if there should not be as much as would satisfy the
debt, the said Edward Cox, should have power to settle the books
as far as it goes for the amount. And finally, I do acknowledge this
to be my last will, and revoke all others.

Witness my hand and seal, this 25th day of August 1798.

Witness, present

Samuel Vernon

Jam. Daugherty

Abraham Vernon

John Cox (Seal)

Will of William Crawford

Dated July 1. 1801

In the name of God, Amen. I William Crawford, being of sound
and perfect memory, blessed be God, do this sixth day of
July, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and
four, make and publish this my last will and testament,
in manner following, that is to say,

I do give, and bequeath unto my loving wife, all and singular
my goods and chattels, together with all my debts and mor-
able effects, by her freely, to be possessed and enjoyed during
her life. And I do hereby make and ordain my worthy

friend Christopher ^{Wickie} Miller Executor of this my last will and
testament. In witness whereof I the said William Crawford
have set my hand and seal, the day and year above written
Signed, Sealed, published, and
declared in presence of:
Robert McMiner,
Samuel Morrisson,

Copy of Sally Colby Will.

Dated March 9. 1801

In the name of God, Amen. I Sally Colby of Scotland County
and State of Virginia, being in a weak state of body, but of
perfect mind and memory, and knowing it is appointed
for us all once to die, have ordained this my last will and tes-
tament in the words and form as followeth:

Item, It is my will and desire that all my negroes to be
emancipated after my death, to-wit, Lucy, Betsy, Jane,
Doris, Prudence, Harrison, Maude and Mary, all being the chil-
dren of the first man Lucy. And it is further my will and
desire that after my death that these my above mentioned negroes
shall be all set free, that they may have the use of my plantation
one year after my death - together I give my stock of all
kinds to my above mentioned negroes to be equally divided
among them all. I further give unto my above mentioned
negroes my plantation tools, to them my negroes, whom my
will is they shall be set free.

Item, I give unto my sister, Mary Colby one large feather
bed, and one large chair.

Item, I give unto James Colby son of Peggy Colby my bed
and furniture together, the said stock and so on, provided he
said James Colby comes in this County in the course of two years
after my death and should he not apply in that time for his
bed and furniture, it is my desire for Mr Colby to have
it, who is son of Molly Colby. It is further my will and
desire that my above mentioned negroes shall after my
death have the balance of my household and kitchen furniture,
to be equally divided among them, and likewise for them my
said negroes to have the growing crop and the crop that may
be already made, if any on hand.

It is further my will and desire that my land whereon I

known live to be sold to the highest bidder, one third of the money to be paid in hand, the other two thirds to be paid in two annual payments. It is further my will and desire that my Executor hereafter mentioned shall fix my within mentioned negroes of with a ^{the} horse cart & an horse worth about fifteen pounds and should the horse I have now on hand be dead, or not able to ^{keep} my within mentioned negroes out of side of the State as the laws of the land call for then so to do, it is my will and desire there should be another horse provided for them by my Executors & two new saddles & bridles, the second horse of maning should be at fifteen pounds price, or there abouts.

It is further my will and desire that my negro woman Lucy except give to my Executors for what I have left. She & her children so as to clear my Executors from herself & her children as they are all at this time under age, so that Lucy except shall be good and a clear discharge for my Executors. And further it is my will that if my negro woman Lucy will not go out of the State with her biggest children that Burson James & Lewis shall have the two horses and saddles above mentioned and go of out of the State. It is further my will and desire that my just debts be all paid out of the last two thirds of my land money, and that my Executors shall be sufficiently satisfied out of the same two thirds of all land money, and further the above mentioned saddles and bridles are to be new ones got for my negroes above mentioned. And it is further my will and desire is that the balance of my land money if any left after payment of my debts and fixing of my negroes for their journey, and so fixing my Executors for their trouble with my worldly affair, to be equally divided between Melly Coley, Nancy Coley & Frank Coley, Belieu Coley, Peggy Coley, & James Coley & I do further appoint Charles Mapier William Parmer Executors to this my last wills testament, revoking all other wills made heretofore. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this 9th day of March 1807. Entered before signed in several places.

Witness
Pleasant Parmer
Robt J. Singleton
Nazard & Singleton

Sally Coley

At a monthly Session Court held for Goodland County, at the Court house on Monday the 19th day of Sept. 1808. The within was presented in Court & proved by the oaths of Pleasant Parmer, Robert Singleton & Nazard Singleton to be the last will & testament of Sally Coley dec'd and ordered to be recorded. Then Charles Mapier & Wm Parmer the Executors herein named appeared in Court and formally & solemnly renounced all right as Executors under this will, and refused to be qualified as such.

Teste Wm Miller C. J. C.

A Copy
Teste Wm Miller C. J. C.

Will of Jacob Cox.

Dated July 1. 1808.

Prob. Nov. 28. 1809.

In the name of God, Amen. I Jacob Cox of the County of Hamilton, and State of Tennessee being weak of body but of perfect mind, do make constitute and Ordain this my last will and Testament in the following manner, to wit: (viz.)

Item. It is my will and desire that all my just debts be paid. It is my will my will and desire that my loving wife Mary Cox shall have my black mare cat & cat without any legence.

It is my wish my will and desire that the tract of land whereon I now live shall be divided in the following manner (viz.) That my loving wife Mary Cox should have the one third part here life time, and the remaining two thirds to be equally divided between my loving children hereafter named.

It is my will and desire that all my other lands shall be equally divided between my three sons, to wit John Miller and Pharaoh, by three disinterested men.

It is my will and desire that all my personal estate and household furniture shall be equally divided between my loving wife Mary Cox and loving children hereafter named as they become of age, if they stand in need of it, to be valued by three disinterested men and delivered to my loving wife Mary Cox and loving

children Lucy Betty John Polly William Pharoah Nancy and Emulation.

It is my will and desire that if there is more stock than will be considered for use of the place it shall be sold as they think proper. It is my will and desire that my loving children shall be educated out of the estate as my Executors may think proper.

I do make constitute and ordain Thomas Hopkins, my wife Mary Cox and Martin Rotten my three and lawful Executors of this my last will and Testament. Given from under my hand and seal this the twenty first day of July in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and eight.

Test. Continued. Jacob Cox Seal
Martin Rotten

Also I do will bring my desire and having the same mind and since foregoing was wrote. I have a son that we have named Samuel, my will is that my son Samuel share equally with my other sons, as within mentioned. My wish is that at the time of a regular division of my personal estate that our daughter Lucy may receive of a credit for a horse more supposed to be worth one hundred dollars.

It is my will and desire that my son John Cox should have a certain horse by the name of Phelan together with a new saddle bridle or a rifle gun charged one hundred dollars which will be deducted out of his legacy.

It is also my will and desire that the negroes should be hired out or kept on the premises as shall be thought best by my Executors & family for the term of ten years and at the end of said term of ten years for them & their increase to be equally divided amongst my children nevertheless it is my will & desire that my dear & beloved wife Mary Cox shall have her choice of the negroes during her lifetime & then to fall to my children again.

Given from under my hand and seal this 27th June 1809

Test.

Henry A. Hall, Matthias Clark
Dennis Caudron, John Miller
Martin Rotten & Jacob Mills &
Presley Buckner

Jacob Cox Seal

Will of James Caldwell
Dated March 30, 1812
prova Aug. 1812

In the name of God Amen, I James Caldwell of the County of Hawkins and State of Tennessee being weak in body & in a low state of health but sound in mind & memory & calling to mind the mortality of our nature that it is appointed unto all men once to die & after that the judgment, I commend my soul to God & my body to the earth to be buried in a decent Christian manner hoping they again will be united at the general resurrection of the just. I do make & ordain my last will and Testament in the form following, to wit:

In the first place I allow all my just debts to be paid. Item I leave & bequeath to my beloved wife Jane my dwelling house and kitchen with all the furniture within as long as she needs them and then to be distributed amongst my children at her discretion. Also the third part of the plantation I live on, both clear ground & woodland during her natural life. I also leave her my negro fellow to her during her life to work her land under the direction of my son John Sh. Clair. I also leave her the negro girl Cy, the day her life. Also I leave her a horse, she to have her choice of the pleasure to make it. I allow to my wife one third part of my stock of cattle, sheep & hogs.

Item I also give & bequeath to my son Sh. Clair the other two thirds of my plantation I live on, both clear ground & woodland & at his mother's death the whole plantation forever. Also all the farming tools of every kind. Also I leave my negro boy & the negro girl Cy at the death of his mother to Sh. Clair.

Item I give & bequeath to my son John the price of a place lately sold in Tennessee Valley, Rhea County, amounting to seven hundred and thirty five dollars. Also a negro boy named App, also a horse named Rock.

Item I give & bequeath to my daughter Anne a bay filly now in the possession of her husband in addition to what she has already got.

Item the money I have given to my son Elias I wish in a measure stand for his fortune, but as his education is not finished I give and bequeath to him a negro boy named Park also three hundred dollars to complete his education. Item I give and bequeath to my daughter Jane a negro girl

must buy, also a good horse and saddle, also two cows and calves. The residue of the Stock, Horses, Cattle, Hogs, & Sheep to remain as a fund to pay debts, finish Silas' Education, & the balance I leave to St. Clair.

Item. My negro woman Hannah & her child Price I allow to be either continued on the place, hired out or sold at the of my Executors hereafter to be named. Should the above fund of Stock not answer the end contemplated, I allow the profits of Hannah the negro woman her child Price to make it up, whatever disposition may be made of her & so as to leave St. Clair a sufficient stock to carry on his farm. The balance of any to be equally divided amongst the legatees.

I appoint my beloved wife Jane, my daughter & my son St. Clair to execute this my last will and testament.

Given under my hand this 30th of March A.D. 1812
In the presence of us
Jas. Maxwell.

John Young.

Will of John C. Church.

Dated May 30. 1813

In the name of God, Amen. I John Christian Church of New Brunswick County, and State of Tennessee, being weak and weak in imperfect health of body but of perfect mind and memory, thank be to God for the same and calling to mind the mortality of my body, and knowing that it is appointed once for all men to die, do make this my last will and testament (viz)

Principally & first of all I give and recommend my soul unto the hands of Almighty God that gave it, and my body I recommend to the earth, to be buried in a decent Christian burial at the discretion of my Executors, nothing doubting but at the general resurrection I shall receive the same again by the Almighty power of God. And as touching such worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me in this life I give, devise and dispose of the same in the following manner (and form) (viz)

First of all, I give and bequeath to my three sons Henry Thomas and George an equal share of all I possess (to e) my land, messuages and immovables including all my household furniture Cattle and utensils of every kind

Secondly, I leave my wife Eleanor Church a child's part during her widowhood, and after her decease her part to be equally divided among the three above mentioned boys (to e) Henry Thomas & George.

Thirdly, I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary Anne Stapleton one dollar.

Fourthly, I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary Anne daughter Nancy, twenty dollars.

Fifthly, and lastly, I give and bequeath to my three sons, Henry Thomas and George all that is coming from William Warren's note after William Armstrong is satisfied, I do hereby utterly disallow, revoke and disannul all and every other former testaments, wills, legacies, bequests by me in any wise made, conferring this and no other to be my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 30th day of May A.D. 1813.

John C. Church, his mark
Signed, sealed, published, pronounced and acknowledged by the said John C. Church in his last will and testament, in the presence of us who in his presence and the presence of each other have hereunto set our hands &c &c &c.

Test

Names of witnesses, illegible.

Will of John Croson

Dated Dec 16. 1814

In the name of God, Amen. This is the last will and testament of John Croson of the County of Montross and State of Tennessee, as follows (viz) he the said John Croson finding himself weak and weak of body, but in perfect mind and memory, blessed be God therefore, and calling to mind the frailty of this life and the certainty of death, I do ordain and make this my last will and testament, in force and manner, as follows: (viz) I do recommend my soul into the hands of God who gave it, and my body to the earth to be buried therein with decent and Christian burial at the discretion of my Executors hereafter to be named. And as for what worldly goods it hath pleased God to bless me with, all I do will and bequeath in manner and form as follows (viz)

Now, I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Drusilla Croson all my horse Carriages and Carriage and Hogs, with all my household and kitchen furniture and working tools, to her during her natural life, and at her decease if any thing remain, then to be equally divided amongst all my children. This I do make to be my last will and testament, and I do hereby have my beloved wife Drusilla Croson and John Croson my son, to act for me as my Executors. Witness my hand and seal the 6 day of February 1874.
 Test. Drusilla Croson
 Wt. Samuel J. Burton

John^{his} Croson
 Wt.

Will of Michael Click

Dated July 28, 1874

In the name of God Amen I Michael Click of Newham County and State of Tennessee being weak of body but of perfect mind and memory, thanks be given to God, believe and mind the mortality of my body, and knowing that it is appointed unto all men once to die, do make and ordain this my last will and testament, that is to say, I principally and first of all I give and recommend my soul unto the hand of Almighty God that gave it, and my body I recommend to the earth to be buried in decent Christian burial at the discretion of my Executors, nothing doubting but at the general resurrection I shall receive the same again by the mighty power of God, and as touching such worldly estate whereunto it has pleased God to bless me in this life, I give, devise and dispose of, in the following manner, and

First, I give and bequeath to my three daughters viz Margaret, Elizabeth and Katharine all my Cattle, Hogs, Bed & Clothing, and all household furniture, also any money known by the name of Cash to be equally divided among them. (My sons John George Michael & Matthias have all received their shares)

Also I give to my son Jacob all my land, including the plantation whereon I now live and two small tracts adjoining it, and one acre fifty, also all my farming utensils, out of which he will pay all my lawful debts, or provide for, and furnish his mother with everything necessary to her

comfort and support during her life, leaving her to possess my poor dwelling house, Garden, &c.
 Lastly, I constitute and ordain my wife Margaret Click, my son Jacob Click and Jesse Huggard my sole Executors of this my last will and testament, and I do hereby utterly disavow revoke and disannul all and every other former testament or will obligation or by me in any way before made, written or signified, verifying and confirming this and no other to be my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty eighth day of July, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and fourteen.

Signed, sealed, published, pronounced and declared by the said Michael Click as his last will and testament, in the presence of us who in his presence and in the presence of each other, have hereto subscribed our names.
 Thomas Jackson (Jas) Michael^{his} Click^{his}
 John Larkin

Will of John Cox

Dated May 14, 1874

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In the name of God, Amen, I John Cox of the State of Tennessee and County of Newham being of sound sense and memory, thank in a declining state of health, do this sixteenth day of May, eighteen hundred and sixteen, make and publish this my last will and testament, in writing.
 First, I desire after decease to be buried in plain and decent manner.
 Then, I bequeath the following children one dollar each, viz Sally, Matthea, Nancy, Elias, Elizabeth, Elias Sally, Cook, Katy, Lacey, Josiah Cox and Absolam Cox.
 Then, I do give the balance of my property both real and personal to my son George Cox, on condition that he take good care of his mother, and my wife Drusilla Cox during her life except my small horse colts.
 Then, I do give to my grand son Russell Cox my small horse colts.
 Then, I appoint and request my son George Cox to be my Executor of this my last will and testament, and do hereby revoke and annul every other will or wills by me made. In witness whereof I the said John Cox testator have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal, the day and date above written.
 Test. John Nowell
 John Laughlin

John^{his} Cox^{his}
 Wt.

Will of Rebecca Craft

Dated Feb 26, 1818

Prob. Feb. Decemr 1818

In the name of God, Amen, I Rebecca Craft of the County of Hawkins and State of Tennessee calling to mind the shortness of this mortal life, and desiring that it is appointed for all persons once to die, do make and ordain this my last will and testament, that is to say, principally and first of all I give and recommend my soul into the hand of Almighty God that gave it, And as touching such worldly estate where with it has pleased God to bless me in this life I give devise and dispose of the same in the following manner and form.

First, I give and bequeath to my brethren and Sisters ^{the sum of} ten dollars to be equally divided between my brother and Sisters or their heirs excepting my Sister Sarah Light.

It is also my will that my negro girl named Anna should be free agreeable to the law of this State, at twenty one years of age, and it is also my will she should have one pewter dish and coffee pot, one pewter basin and six pewter plates a set of knives and forks, six spoons and one tin cup, one feather bed and furniture, one, one wheel, pick up case, and one bedstead and one chest. And I give and bequeath to my sister Sarah Light two pewter dishes, six pewter plates, seven spoons, three small pewter basins, three tin pans and five tin cups, one paper box and ^{one} ^{small} ^{box} of Colton Cards and one coffee pot, one salt jug, one pickling jar and one bed and furniture and bedstead, and two pots, one iron and one Drifter, one iron shovel and one cow, and it is also my will that Rachel Light and her three sons should have fourteen head of hogs, to be equally divided between them. I likewise constitute name and Ordain Rachel Light my sole Executor of this my last will and testament, And I do hereby utterly revoke and disannul all and every other former will. I do ratify and confirm this to be my last will and testament, In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this fifth day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighteen.

Signed sealed published and declared by the said Rebecca Craft in presence of

Reuben Carmack (Jury)

James Morrison (Jury)

George

name illegible

Rebecca Craft
mark

Will of Cornelius Carmack

Dated Dec 29 1818

In the name of God, Amen, I Cornelius Carmack of the County of Hawkins & State of Tennessee being sick in body but of a sound and disposing mind and understanding considering the certainty of death and the uncertainty of the time thereof, and being desirous to settle my worldly affairs and thereby be the better prepared to leave this world when it shall please God to call me, hence, do therefore make this my last will and testament, in manner and form following To wit: First and principally, I commit my soul into the hands of Almighty God and my body to the earth to be decently buried. I then devise & bequeath unto son Isaac the tract of land on which he now lives, according as it was laid off to him and his heirs, and fifty acres to be taken off across the lower end which fifty acres I devise & bequeath unto my son John, together with the tract on which was laid off for him and now lives on to him the said John his heirs and assigns.

I also give and bequeath unto my son William the tract of land on which he now lives together with twelve rods wide across to be taken off the lower end of the plantation on which I now live, to him the said William his heirs and assigns. I also give & bequeath unto my son Cornelius the plantation on which I now live, according to the future, to him the said Cornelius his heirs and assigns. I do also leave my above named sons for the named land above devise and bequeath to them pay unto my Executors hereinafter mentioned the sum of two dollars per acre, which is to be paid within three years after my death, to the Executors with all debts.

I also give & bequeath unto my grand children of my daughter Rachael the sum of one hundred dollars to be equally divided among them by my Executors. I also give and bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth the sum of five dollars to her and her heirs. I also give and bequeath unto my other daughters viz. Susannah Sally Polly Polly Nancy and Catharine the money then remaining in the Executors hands to be paid and equally divided among them share and share alike. And Lastly, I give and bequeath unto my son Cornelius and my two daughters Nancy and Catharine all the rest and remainder of my estate then remaining on the plantation to be equally divided share and share alike.

And lastly, I do constitute and appoint my son William
Cornelius to be the sole Executor of this my testament, revoking
and annulling all former wills by me heretofore made, ratifying
and confirming this my last will and testament.

In testimony whereof I herewith set my hand and affix
my seal. This twenty ninth day of December one thousand
eight hundred and eighteen.

Cornelius Cornumack

Signed, sealed, published and declared by Cornelius Cornumack
the above testator as and for his last will and testament in
presence of us at his request and in the presence and in presence of
each other have subscribed our names in witness hereunto

Jacob Brown (Seal)
William Cornumack (Seal)
Cornelius Cornumack (Seal)

Will of Samuel Curry

Dated Nov. 22, 1812

Considering the uncertainty of this mortal life and being of
sound and perfect memory, blessed be Almight God for the
same, do make and publish this my last will and testament
in manner and form following, (viz) After all my legal
debts are paid.

First I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Mary Curry
the third of my Estate both real and personal. I do also
give and bequeath unto my two younger sons George and Samuel
Curry the plantation whereon I now live. I do also give and
bequeath unto my three daughters viz: Rebecca, Ann and
Margaret Curry, three cows and calves and four sheep, a
feather bed and bed clothes, to each, likewise a horse and
saddle, the horse not exceeding eight years old nor under
fourteen hands high. I do also give and bequeath unto John
McPherson, Arch. Simpson, John and James Curry and Reuben
Stetson the sum of one dollar each. And lastly, as to the
rest residue and remainder of my personal estate, goods
& chattels of what kind and nature soever, I give and bequeath
the same to my said beloved wife Mary Curry who together
with Samuel McPherson, Executor and Executors of this my
last will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills

by me made. In witness whereof I have herewith set my hand
and seal this twenty second day of February in the year
of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighteen.
Signed, sealed, published and declared

Samuel Curry

by the above named Samuel Curry to be his last will and tes-
tament, in the presence of us who at his request and in his
presence have herewith subscribed our names as witnesses
to the same.

James Cornumack
John Marshall

Will of Daniel Carey

Dated Dec 27, 1820

In the name of God, Amen, I Daniel Carey being weak
of body, but of sound mind, not dizzy and recollecting
that all men have once to die, do make, ordain, publish, and
declare this to be my last will and testament in the words
and figures following: First I give my soul to God from
whom it came and my body to the clay to be decently and
plainly buried, and the funeral expenses paid together with all
my just debts.

Item 1st. To my daughter Sally Carey in Nelson County,
Virginia I give that tract of land known by the name of
Six place containing 44 acres in 1st County of Nelson (Va.)
Item 2nd. To my daughter Rebecca Carey of 1st County of Nelson
I give that part of land in said County of Nelson known
by the name of Cooper old place, on the head waters of Rockfish
River, adjoining land with Solomon Carey, Samuel Hays,
Hire, containing one hundred and seven acres to the same
more or less.

Item 3rd. To my daughter Mary Ann Carey I give that tract of land
known by the name of Fox place containing eighty acres, lying
in said County of Nelson adjoining land with Richard &
Samuel Fox and Robert Henderson, and should there
be another child, by my wife Sarah which I now have
been the father of, it shall share equally with Mary Ann
in the above described 80 acres of land. The before described
lands and children are all in the State of Virginia.

Item 4th. To Polly Nollen I give possession of all the property

both real and personal that is that I hold in Hawkins County the
single natural life or widowhood, and at her death or mar-
riage with the case run by my son Daniel Carey is to be &
fall him to all of said estate in said County of Hawkins
both real and personal. And should the said Polly Hatten
accept of said estate, it shall be on these conditions, that
she give my son Daniel Carey good schooling until he be
fourteen or fifteen years old, at which time I wish him
put to some trade or business that he may make a living
at. And to this my last will and Testament in force at my
decease I constitute, nominate and appoint my worthy
friends Thomas Ingram and Jacob Miller my Executors
to this my last will in force, making and determining all
other bequests made.

Item that at my decease I wish a sale of all my property
at a tavern near the river, except ten mules, cows, all the
household and kitchen furniture, farming tools and one
man, bed and bedding together with the grain and mea-
se hand, and half of my stock of hogs which I wanted
a stock I wish left on the farm unsold.

In testimony whereof I the said Daniel Carey have set
my hand and affixed my seal. This 27th day of December 1822

In presence of
Levi Camble, James Henson,
Thomas Ingram, Jacob Miller

Will of Lewis Christian
Signed May 1, 1822

Witness name of Father Son of the Holy Ghost three persons but God
I Lewis Christian sing of the County of Hawkins and State of
Tennessee calling to mind the certainty and yet the uncertainty
of the time when he made and ordered this my last will & Tes-
tament in the words or form following to wit. After commending
my soul to God and my body to the dust to be buried in a
decent Christian manner, hoping they will be again united
at the resurrection and enjoying a glorious immortality
I dispose of my worldly goods as follows:

I allow all my just debts to be paid in the first place.
I bequeath to my sons John Thomas, Lewis Jr, Allen James

to each one dollar,

I give and bequeath to my daughter Lucinda the lower end of
my place, beginning at a millery at the mouth of a hollow
at the upper end of the old peach Orchard on south side of
the Creek & including the fields & all the land to the lower end
of the Survey.

I give and bequeath to my daughter Peggy the upper end of my
place, beginning at Mainwells line running forty poles
down the River and thence a straight line across the upper
end to the mountain. I give and bequeath to my daughter
Betsey Polly and Nancy each one dollar. Also I give and bequeath
to my daughter Nancy or her children forty nine acres of land
whereon the late Lord James Francis Godard

I also give and bequeath to my son Lewis 50 acres of land joining
his old Survey. Also Smith & Elder's Purchase which in the same place
I give and bequeath to my grand son Thomas the place whereon
my son Mathias now lives containing 52 acres, reserving to my son
Thomas the use and privilege of the place during his life.

I bequeath to my grand son William the son of daughter Sally
Ned 50 acres of land lying between my son Thomas and
Samuel Barker with the improvements. I give and bequeath
to my son William the place I now live on joining Cindy
Barker & Peggy above with the buildings & improvements. If
my wife Peggy should out live me, I allow William, Cindy &
Peggy to give her thirty bushels of corn per year during her natural
life. I also nominate an Executor of this will. I also allow
my wife Peggy to divide the household & kitchen furniture be-
tween her three youngest children at her death. I allow
her also to have use of the mansion house & one third of the farm
during her life. I also nominate my son William as the Ex-
ecutor. Whereas I have been informed that my son Lewis Chris-
tian Jr has a bond in possession with my mark or signature
to it, supposing to be a little bond with a penance of \$500
dollars in default of making him a little to certain land,
I have no recollection of any such transaction & if he has
any such bond, he obtained it in an unfair manner, where
I was not in any way mixed. In testimony whereof I have
hereunto set my hand. This 1st day of May 1822
Attest my hand in presence of us,
Eso Maxwell,
Robert Skelton,
Geo. Curry.

Lewis Christian Sr
marked

A Codicil to my will &c Supplement or addition.

I Lewis Christian Son of the County of Newton & State of Tennessee do this fifteenth day of December make and publish this Codicil to my last will & Testament in manner following that is to say, I give to my Grand Daughter Sally the daughter of Cindy Christian, one bed & furniture, one painting dish, one tin pair, one dozen tea cups, three bowls, one pitcher, two glass & tumblers, six plates, one table cloth & one set of curtains &c. one cow & calf, one sow and pig, one horse &c. And whereas in my last will and testament I have given to my daughter Cindy the lower end of my place, beginning at a waterbury at the mouth of a hollow, Also I do bequeath to her a part of the two last locations I make below the same hollow, And lastly, it is my desire that this my present Codicil be annexed to and made a part of my last will and Testament to all intents and purposes. In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand & seal this fifteenth day of December 1828.

Signed, sealed, published, and declared by the above named Lewis Christian as a Codicil to be annexed to his last will and testament in the presence of

William Peagins

James Lyons

It is my desire that the above mentioned property should be equally divided among the heirs of my daughter Sally, to be at her decease.

James Lyons

As witnesses our hands &c. &c.

A Codicil or Supplement to my will &c. &c. Whereas I in my former will give or bequeath to my grand son Thomas Christian 52 acres of land, I now in this my last will bequeath and give the aforesaid 52 acres of land to my son James Christian being the same land whereon he has lived, to be his for ever. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 28th day of March 1830.

Lewis Christian

Signed, sealed, published, declared by the above named Lewis Christian as a Codicil to be annexed to his last will and testament.

In the presence of

William Peagins

James Lyons

November 20, 1831

In the presence of the Court of Rogersville, It is the wish of Margaret Christian that James Bailey do administer to the Estate of Lewis Christian deceased, for I am not able to attend to it myself, owing to sickness and old age, Also it is the wish of Mr. Christian son of the deceased, that we both stand as Executors.

Margaret Christian
her X mark

William Christian
James Christian
his X mark

Witness Joseph M. Carden

Signed Sept 27 1834

I Joseph M. Carden being in his sound mind, desire this to be his last will and testament, it is my desire that my property may be distributed as I may hereafter mention in this my will. First, That all my debts be paid, out of my money that is due me & the remainder to be paid to interest to assist in the education of my children. I do give that all my landed Estate be given to my son Christopher Columbus Carden, Charlotte & Grant also to C. Columbus Carden with a sufficient part of the proceeds of said Estate to give him the said C. Carden a classical education, complete his studies, it is also my desire that C. Carden study law profession. My wife Judith is now pregnant, should she have a son, it is my desire that he may have the same benefit of an Education, that are half of the above property given to my son C. Carden. I desire that my daughter L. Josephine Carden have money a negro girl &c. which I desire their increase & the property coming from the farm of Carden & Rutil in Rogersville & that she have the third of the negro from Mr. Kinner my part as one of the Legacies. It is also my desire that she be sent to school until she has a competent English Education. Should my wife Judith have a daughter, it is my desire that she be educated as well as my sister L. Josephine & have one half of the before described property given to my daughter L. Josephine &c. My wife Judith is to have peaceful possession of the plantation whereon I now live during her life.

also to have the negroes before named during her natural life or marriage provided she should raise a prudent man and the profits then of said Estate to be given to my eldest daughter mentioned otherwise the said property to be distributed between my said children at the age of twenty one years. I desire that Miss Elizabeth Partee to live with my said wife or children while she is single & to have a decent support from said Estate. It is my desire that each of my said children be set free at the age of twenty three. Whatever I shall get of my father's estate at the death of my mother I wish equally divided among my said children & should all my said children die without heirs it is my desire that at the death of the last one that all the before negroes that was named & their increase be given to my daughter Josephine & money if any should be left hands to be put in a fund & to be for the interest thereof to be laid out for the education of poor honest children. It is also my desire that my wife have all the stock household & children furniture of every kind that may be on said plantation while I now live without sale or any other to do as she pleases with.

I also desire that my friend Judge E. Court advise with my wife & give instructions concerning the education of my said children & dividing the said property and keeping same together. In testimony whereof I have set my hand this day date above written.

Attest
J. M. Gordon
to Macduney
name torn off

Will of John Cole
Dated Sept. 14 1821

In the name of God, Amen I John Cole of Hawkins County Tennessee being very sick and weak but thanks God of sound disposing mind and knowing that we all must die do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner following It is my will and desire that all my just debts be paid and all the balance of my property of every kind and description both personal and real I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife

Margaret And whereas I heretofore sold unto Joseph Cole (my grand father) a tract of land lying in the State of Virginia Washington County for the sum of seven hundred dollars which he was to have paid down but I have only received four hundred and thirty five dollars. The balance to be paid interest from the 23rd November 1825. And I also sold a small tract to my brother James Cole for fifty fifty dollars containing five acres which when the above sum is paid it is my will and desire that my wife Margaret make deeds for said lands sold. And I do appoint my beloved wife sole executrix of this my last will and do not require her to give security. In witness I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 13th of September 1821.

Witness
Richard Mitchell
Thomas M. Bell

John Cole Esq.
Sept 14 1821

Will of Elizabeth Cooper
Dated Feb 8. 1828

In the name of God, Amen I Elizabeth Cooper being of sound mind but weak in body through do declare this to be my last will in writing. This eighth day of February in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and twenty eight. I do bequeath and give unto my son James Cooper my lot of land whereon I now live containing seven or eight acres be the same more or less & my two bins of horses and my son James is to pay all my just and lawful debts. And all of the balance of my property to be equally divided between my children.

And that my son James Cooper is to be my executor of my last will & testament in writing. Given under my hand and seal. Feb 8 1828

Witness
Jas Francisco
Henry Larkins

Elizabeth Cooper
Feb 8 1828